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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

he total Number of Cellular Subscribers as on December 31, 2001 and its growth rate for the last three years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SIKDAR)

As per the information furnished by Cellular Operators Association of India (COAI) on behalf of Cellular Operators, the total number of cellular mobile telephone subscribers in India as on 31st Dec 2001 were 54,90,322.

The data regarding growth rate of cellular mobile telephone subscribers for the last three years is as follows:-

SL No.	Month and year	Numbers of cellular mobile telephone subscribers in India.	Growth Rate in % from previous years
1.	31st Decembers,	1998 10,70,603	
2.	31st Decembers,	1999 15,99,364	49.39%
3.	31st Decembers,	2000 31,07,449	94.29%
4.	31st Decembers,	2001 54,90,322	76.68%